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WHAT?!!?



Recruiting Officer—"Legs Good Enough Stuff, But Not Up to Your Weight."

38TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

NATIONAL WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Four Members of the Anthony Family Attending the Baltimore Meeting.

Baltimore, Feb. 7.—The thirty-eighth annual convention of the National Woman's Suffrage Association convened here at the Lyric. President Rev. Anna Howard Shaw presided.

The program consisted of prayer by Rev. Henry A. Grissmer; address of welcome, Miss Emma Maddox Funk, president Maryland Woman's Suffrage Association; response, Miss Kate E. Gordon; roll call, fraternal greetings, appointment of committees, etc.; report of corresponding secretary, Miss Kate E. Gordon; report of headquarters secretary, Miss Elizabeth Hanmer.

At the night meeting, Miss Susan B. Anthony presided, and addresses were made by Gov. Warfield, Maryland; Mayor Timanus, Baltimore, and U. S. Customs Collector Stone, to which Miss Anthony responded. The president made her annual address at this session.

One of the important matters before the convention, as well as before the suffragists in all parts of the country, is the campaign now being waged in Oregon. There many of the leading speakers of the association are "stumping the state" to get the question of woman suffrage before the people for discussion.

There are four members of the Anthony family at the convention. They are the sisters, Miss Susan and Miss Mary, their nieces, Miss Lucy Anthony and Mrs. D. R. Anthony, who is only an Anthony by marriage, but has plenty of the Anthony spirit. They came all the way from Leavenworth.

AN ARTIST SHOT TO DEATH

George Freeman, of Boston, Killed in a Room in Birmingham, Alabama.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 7.—George Freeman, a miniature painter of Boston, who has executed portrait commissions from many prominent and wealthy persons for miniature on porcelain, china and ivory, was shot to death in a house on Twentieth street.

The shooting is shrouded in mystery as yet, but all the evidence points to murder. In the room at the time of Freeman's death were several men and two women.

Freeman's wife was prominent here before her marriage. He has six sisters living in Boston, one of them being Miss Jennie Freeman, the artist. Four arrests have been made.

CAUSED GREAT SENSATION

Jury in Budapest Acquits Editor Who Said Emperor Francis Joseph Was Perjured.

Budapest, Feb. 7.—A verdict of acquittal has been returned by a jury which tried a leading Hungarian journalist named Fenyes, who was prosecuted on a charge of lese majeste for calling Emperor Francis Joseph a perjurer in an article he wrote. Fenyes pleaded that the emperor broke his constitutional oath by the illegal dissolution of parliament. The acquittal of Fenyes has created a great sensation.

CRACKER SEEMS DOOMED.

Boston, Jan. 31.—The supreme court of the United States is all that now stands between Charles L. Tucker, convicted of the murder of Mabel Page, and the electric chair. Judge Sherman, of the supreme court, has handed down a decision denying the motion of Tucker's counsel for a new trial on the ground of newly-discovered evidence.

PEORIA'S DEAD PREACHER-BANKER

BANK SITUATION IN THE DISTILLERY TOWN GREATLY RELIEVED.

SUICIDE LEFT NO WILL—NO MESSAGE TO WIFE

Members of the Church of Which He Was Pastor Divided as to Permitting the Funeral to Be Held. In That Edition—No Leader of Services Suggested.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 7.—Behind closed doors, in the presence only of the jury and himself, Coroner Baker is holding an inquest over the body of Rev. Geo. H. Simmons, pastor of the First Baptist church and president of two banks, who killed himself with cyanide of potassium to forestall exposure of his private character.

The bank situation is greatly relieved. Much of the excitement caused by the suicide has subsided. The banks of the city all came to the relief of the Interstate Savings and Trust bank, and accepted their paper at par. They met every demand for deposits. Confidence has been restored, and but few people have made demands for their money. All corners are accommodated, the other banks being willing to render such assistance as necessary.

The People's Bank.

The People's bank is still closed. E. L. Kelley, the surviving partner, says it will probably not open at least until the estate of Dr. Simmons has gone through the probate court. "I think the bank is solvent," he said.

The deposits of the People's bank, amount to \$115,000. The institution owns its own building, estimated to be worth \$50,000, and so far as known has no liabilities except for the deposits. The character of the paper owned by the bank is problematical, and will not be known until the affairs of the institution are aired in probate court. The bank has had few dealings with the other institutions of the city. This bank was purchased by Rev. Mr. Simmons September 9, and a short time later Kelley was taken into partnership.

Dr. Simmons Left No Will.

The suicide left no will. He had made no provision for death other than writing the last note and turning over to his partner, E. L. Kelley, the Moccasin securities before the two friends parted company. To neither his wife nor his maiden sister did he leave any note, or any farewell message. An envelope addressed to his wife contained only a Creve Coeur building bond, practically the only really personal property that the broken man had to leave to his wife.

The search of the coroner for the draught who sold Dr. Simmons the cyanide of potassium which was found in a two-ounce milk bottle in a closet in the bedroom, has failed. It has been suggested by some of the men who were intimate with the dead man that he had been in the habit of devoting his spare time to chemical experiments, and that the poison had been procured long ago for experimental purposes.

Funeral Causes Division.

Thursday afternoon it is said to be the probable time of the burial. The sentiment in the church is divided as to permitting the funeral to be held in that edifice, and no one has yet been suggested as the leader of the services.

David Thede, a prominent member of the First Baptist church, said: "We are assuming that Dr. Simmons lived a pure life, and I can see no reason why the last rites over his remains should not be held in the edifice in which he has preached the truth."

Box Factory and Saw Mill Burned.

Helena, Ark., Feb. 7.—The Helena box factory and saw mill burned, estimating a loss of \$20,000; fully insured.

Italian King Orders Gift.

Rome, Feb. 7.—The king has ordered a present, probably jewelry, for Alice Roosevelt from a firm in Milan.

Consumed in Temperance Town.

South McAlester, I. T., Feb. 7.—A car of St. Louis beer consigned to Waco, Tex., was wrecked here. Although in a prohibition country, the major portion of the contents of the car was carried away and consumed before officers could be summoned to take charge.

Rockefeller's Granddaughter Ill.

New York, Feb. 7.—John D. Rockefeller's little granddaughter, Muriel McCormick, it is learned, was attacked by appendicitis about a week ago and is now recovering from an operation performed in a private sanitarium in this city.

To Go Out of Saloon Business.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 7.—The house passed by 23 majority the Morgan bill to abolish the state dispensary. The bill already has passed the senate.

AMERICAN GIRLS IN SULTAN'S JAIL

WELLESLEY GRADUATES TOURING EUROPE ARRESTED IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

AMONG CRIMINALS AND CONSPIRATORS

Brigade Attendants and Were Given Cleaner Quarters—Released and No Explanation Given—The Matter is Now in the Hands of Secretary of State Root.

Washington, Feb. 7.—Seized by soldiers of the sultan of Turkey as they landed from a steamer at Constantinople, thrown into prison as the companions of criminals and political conspirators, and held without cause or explanation, was the remarkable treatment accorded Misses Anna Snyder, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., and Miss Elsie Stern, of Buffalo, N. Y., Wellesley college graduates, who were touring abroad.

The young ladies were detained in the sultan's jail until, by bribery, they obtained a transfer to cleaner quarters, where they remained prisoners for two days. They were released without explanation.

The matter has been formally placed before the state department here and is now being considered by Secretary Root. It is not possible to predict what action, if any, will be taken by the United States government.

Thought Constantinople Safe.

Miss Stern, who is a daughter of former Surgeon General Jacob Stern, of 388 Main street, Buffalo, and Miss Snyder are recent graduates of Wellesley college and decided on a trip abroad. They secured the proper passports, and, after visiting England, France and Germany, called on the American consul-general at Berlin and asked him if it would be safe to go to Constantinople. He told them it was, and they went.

On landing from the steamer they were placed under arrest and thrown into prison, in which there were criminals and political prisoners. After a few hours they were transferred to cleaner and better quarters upon the payment of money to the prison attendants. They were detained two days and then released. No explanation was given them. They were so badly frightened by their experience that they left Constantinople immediately.

Representative Ryan, of Buffalo, Wednesday, made formal complaint to the state department of the treatment accorded these young ladies, and intends to press his protest.

Secretary Root promised an immediate investigation of the matter, and said it was the first indignities offered American citizens in Turkey in some years. He said that he did not think, in view of this, it would be just to censure the American consul-general at Berlin for having advised the young women that it would be safe for them to travel in Turkey.

LEXINGTON HAS BIG BLAZE

A \$200,000 Conflagration Destroys Wholesale Grocery House and Damages Other Property.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 7.—The most disastrous fire that has visited this city in years broke out in the wholesale grocery house of Curry, Tunis & Norwood, and \$200,000 worth of property was consumed. The plant of the Lexington Brewing Co., adjoining, and the Chesapeake & Ohio freight depot in the rear were heavily damaged.

Poisoner Gets Second Victim.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 7.—Charles Arndt, of Hill county, is dead as the result of poison being administered for the second time. Last week Arndt and his wife were poisoned by some one placing a drug in their coffee. Mrs. Arndt died, but the husband recovered. No motive for the crime has been discovered.

Death of Aged Illinois Physician.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 7.—Dr. B. A. Allison, aged 90, one of the oldest practitioners in this part of the state, died at his home here.

German Consul Range Dead.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 7.—Julius Runge, for years president of the Galveston cotton exchange and German consul here, is dead.

Thirty-One Murder Trials.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—Thirty-one alleged murderers, now in the county jail, are to be rushed for trial within the next ten days under a plan of State Attorney Healy to put an end to the wave of homicide which has overspread Chicago.

Oklahoma Girl Loses Foot.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 30.—While en route to school near Edmond, the ten-year-old daughter of Henry Oberhelman got her right foot caught in a switch track and was run down by a Santa Fe freight train and the foot mangled to a pulp.

RECOUNTING MORMON REVEALS THEIR OATH

"COVENANT AND PRAY GOD TO AVENGE BLOOD OF THE PROPHET OF THIS NATION."

EXPOSES TEMPLE RITES—POLYGAMY INCREASING

Testimony of Prof. Walter N. Wolfe, Formerly of Brigham Young College at Logan, Utah, Before Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections in Smart Case.

Washington, Feb. 7.—Hearings in the case of Senator Reed Smoot were resumed Wednesday before the committee on privileges and elections. The investigation of the protests against the Utah senator retaining his seat continued through two sessions of congress, and Wednesday marked the beginning of meetings which the committee is likely to hold intermittently throughout the present session.

The first witness was Prof. Walter N. Wolfe, former teacher of geology in Brigham Young college at Logan, Utah, and an apostate of the church. John G. Carlisle, of New York, conducted the prosecution, and A. S. Worthington, of this city, defended the senator.

Prof. Wolfe testified that he had been a Mormon until January 1, this year, when his connection was severed through failure to comply with the demands for tithes.

An Alleged Plural Marriage.

He was asked to tell what he knew of the alleged plural marriage of Prof. Benjamin Cluff and Florence Reynolds, both teachers at Provo. This case occupied a prominent place in the former hearings. In detailing what he knew of their relations he told of a Mormon expedition to Mexico. Prof. Wolfe said he had been informed at that time by Cluff that he was married to Florence Reynolds, and that they lived together on that trip. President Smith, he said, referred to Florence as "Sister Cluff."

"Twelve times," answered Prof. Wolfe, when asked how many times he had been through the endowment house or "temple," he explained, as the endowment house was torn down many years ago.

"Did you take any obligations or oaths when you went through?" asked Mr. Carlisle.

"Every time," he replied. Asked to detail them, he said there had been obligations of chastity, sacrifice and vengeance.

"What do you mean by vengeance?"

asked Mr. Carlisle. "Do you mean there was a promise or pledge given to avenge something?"

The Oath of Vengeance.

The witness then said that this oath had been taken: "You and each of you do covenant and pray, and never cease to pray, God to avenge the blood of the prophet of this nation." The oath, he said, was taken standing, and at the conclusion each one taking it was required to bow his head and say, "I do." After giving many other details of the ceremony, such as the manner of anointing, he was asked concerning a trial had by the board of Brigham Young academy as to the reasons for a long absence of Cluff from the Mexican expedition. The witness said Apostasy was among those in the attendance, and that he had heard testimony given by the witness himself that the reason for Cluff's absence was because he was living apart with a plural wife.

Plural Marriages.

Another plural marriage was spoken of by the witness. This was between Orena Jorgenson, a student at Brigham Young academy, and "Brother" Okey, with whom the girl became enamored, according to a confession she is alleged to have made to Prof. Wolfe. He said the girl came to his house and gave as an excuse for an absence from school that she had gone to Juarez, Mexico, and had been married in polygamy. This had been with the consent of State President George Q. Cannon. The girl came back to the school and graduated in the class of 1900 and the witness.

"To the best of my knowledge," said Prof. Wolfe, "polygamous cohabitation has increased very materially since Utah was admitted as a state."

VENEZUELA AND FRANCE

Castro Asks United States to Take Charge of Venezuelan Consulate in France.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The Venezuelan government has requested the United States government to take charge of its consulate in France. Secretary Root has decided to comply with the request, and will give the necessary instructions to the American ambassador in Paris.

Lawson in Minnesota.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 7.—Thos. W. Lawson, of Boston, arrived here Wednesday morning from Des Moines, Ia., to consult Gov. Johnson on the insurance question.

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Crescent Hotel.

The Crescent Hotel, Eureka Springs, Ark., will open for the season February 15th, 1906.

Many repairs and improvements have been made, the service will be better than ever, and the charges moderate.

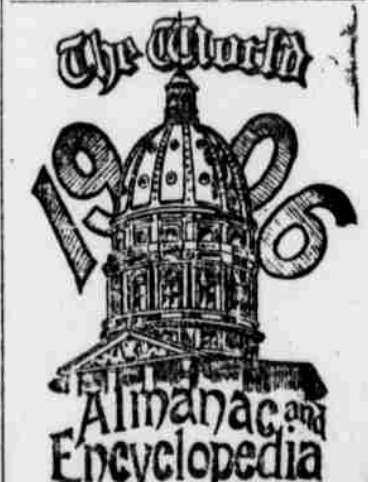
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